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of the

Pee Dee Missionary Baptist and Educational Association

Held with The

POPLAR SPRINGS MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

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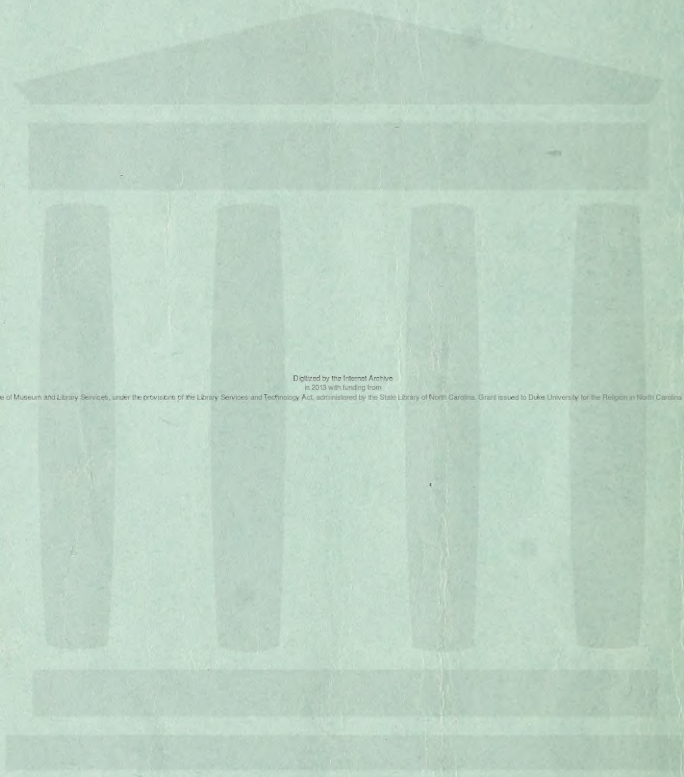

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PROCEEDINGS

Addor, N. C., Oct. 9th. 1930

The Pee Dee Missionary Baptist and Educational Association met in its 61st annual session with the Poplar Springs Missionary Bapt. church, Addor, N.C., Rev. B. J. Ivey, Pastor.

The session was open Thursday morning on the above date, with the devotional service conducted by the Rev. E. B. Nelums. Number 306, "O, for a closer walk with God," was sung, after which Rev S W Justice offered prayer. The 133 Division of the Psalms was read. Prayer was offered by Bro. McLauchlin. Song "Must Jesus bear the cross alone."

The Moderator, Rev P C Covington, opened the Association for business strictly at 10:30 a. m., and thanked the brethren for conducting the devotions and asked the ministers and delegates to let the Spirit be the moderator, and each of you act as you would, if you were in the presence of your Master. The meeting being open, the program was read and adopted as a guide.

Next was the enrollment of ministers, delegates and churches. The ministers contribution was $5.25. Rev J T Williams and Rev H David was appointed reading clerks. The following churches reported. See report. Benediction by Rev H David.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

2:00 The devotional was conducted by Rev D D Reveels. Hymn No. 250 was sung. Rev H W Miller offered prayer. A spiritual was sung by Rev Nelson. The hour having arrived for the introductory sermon, Rev J B Everett, accompanied with Rev H W Miller and Rev John Hasty on the rostrum. Rev H W Miller read a part of the third chapter of St. John. Prayer was then offered by Rev T R Richardson. The moderator introduced Rev J B Everett to preach the introductory sermon. The text was Acts 8:35. The sermon was delivered with force and fervency, and it was impressively illustrated. Offering $8.00. Rev Miller asked the Association for a collection for Rev P B Bynum, and the same was granted; the amount $5.21 was raised, and the same forwarded to him.

4:00 The moderator called for the reading and reports of church letters. Twenty representatives having arrived, they were enrolled, and their church letters read. See report. Benediction by Rev G B Mason.

EVENING SESSION

7:30. Rev J T Williams led in singing "Over in the glory land." After which the welcome addresses was delivered on behalf of church and church auxiliaries, and sister churches, with Miss M J Little, Mistress of ceremonies.

On behalf of the church ..... Mr. Oliver Misheux
On behalf of the Sunday School .. Miss Alereta Little
On behalf of the B. Y. P. U. ..... Mr. John Core, Jr.
On behalf of the H. M. Circle ..... Mrs. G. A. Cotton
Solo ..... Mrs. Lillian Core
On behalf of the A.M.E.Zion Church .. Miss Ethel Wilson
On behalf of the Free liberty church Miss Roxanna Byrd
On behalf of Elizabeth Chapel ..... Mrs. D W Farrell
Solo ..... Mrs. Francis Little

All the addresses were brim full of hearty welcome, and of course they were much enjoyed by the Association. They were interspersed with most charming music by the choir.

The response on behalf of the Association was by Rev J E Jenkins, with well chosen words. He most heartily accepted the welcome on behalf of the Association.

The hour having arrived for the doctrinal sermon, Rev W M McIntyre, accompanied with Rev P B Bynum in the pulpit. Rev Nelson led in singing "Nearer my God to thee." Rev Bynum read the 1st chapter of St. John. Prayer by Rev T A Johns. Music by the choir. The moderator then introduced Rev W M McIntyre to preach the doctrinal sermon; text John 8:12, "I am the light of the world." This was an unusually interesting sermon: unique in simplicity, power and spirit. Rev Nelson sang "Out on the ocean sailing." Offering $16.09.

The moderator introduced Dr W H Knuckles of Lumberton, who made a strong appeal to the Association on co-operation and higher education, urging the people to send their children to Baptist secondary schools for religious training. A donation of 5.00 was given to the speaker. Benediction by Rev C P Flowers.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

The Association convened at 9:45. Song service conducted by Rev A M Allen. Prayer offered by Rev Flowers. The moderator lined hymn 422, "My soul be on thy guard." Then the moderator made some very timely remarks, and

announced the house ready for business. The minutes of the first days session was read and adopted.

The committee on New Bodies submitted their report. By motion the same was adopted. See report.

The following visitors were introduced; Prof C F Craver, Mr Haywood, Rev A E Quick, Rev Horne of the Zion Association, Mrs Haywood and Mrs L W Wertz.

Prof Craver, the Feld Agent and Financial Secretary of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, came forward, spoke in interest of Shaw University and the Baptist work in general. He, in a very forcible way, set forth the great need of a trained leadership, and the need of young men in preparation for the ministry. A collection was lifted to the amount of $20.45 for the State work. The plan outlined for Founders Day was adopted,

Each church is urged to do their bit, by the twenty first of November, and send the same to Prof C F Craver. Shaw University, Raleigh, N. C., or carry the same there on Founders Day, that the Association get credit for the amount paid. Benediction by Rev A E Quick.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

2.30. Devotional services was conducted by Rev W M Harris, who lined hymn No. 342, "Must Jesus bear the cross alone." Prayer was offered by Bro J T Thomas. "Come ye that love the Lord" was sung; after which the moderator made some remarks, and declared the meeting open for business. Rev G B Mason, one of the founders of the Association, was introduced, and made a strong appeal for a better ministry. His address was very inspiring. A motion prevailed that the Association extend Rev Mason a vote of thanks, and make him a donation. Carried.

Rev Haywood, the editor of "The Baptist Paper" was introduced, and appealed to the ministers and delegates present to subcribe to the "Union Reformer," that they might know what the other part of the Baptists are doing in the State.

The hour having arrived for the Moderator's address, the Vice Moderator took the chair and introduced the Moderator, Rev P C Covington, D. D., to deliver his annual message. It was a masterly discourse, uniquetely fitting for the times and the occasion. It was listened to with special attention. See address.

It was referred to a special committee. See Com. report.

Committee on Temperance made their report. By motion the same was adopted. See report.

Committee on place made their report. By motion the same was adopted. See report.

Committee on moderator's address made their report. By motion the same was adopted. See report.

The committee on education made their report. By motion the same was approved. See report.

The Trustee Board made their report. By motion the same was adopted. See report.

The Treasurer made his report. By motion the same was adopted. See report.

The Auditor made his report. By motion the same was adopted. See report.

The committee on obituary made their report. By motion the same was adopted. See report.

The committee on Resolutions made their report. By motion the same was adopted See report.

The committee on Constitution made their report. By motion the same was adopted. See report.

The hour having arrived for the election of officers, motion prevailed, and the following officers were elected. See officers roll.

A motion prevailed that all officers elected shall financially support the objects of the Association, or be removed from office. Benediction by Rev H C Crawford.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

7:30. The devotional services were conducted by Rev Allen singing "Go preach my Gospel, saith the Lord." Prayer was offered by Bro Thomas. "My soul be on thy guard was sung, and prayer was offered by Bro Ed.Gaines.

The Revs J W Diggs, H I Quick and L W Wertz occupied the stand. The hour for the educational sermon having arrived, the choir led in singing, "Holy, Holy." Rev J W Diggs read Prov. the 23rd chap. Rev Nelson led in singing "Must Jesus bear the cross alone." The Moderator then introduced Rev H I Quick to preach the educational sermon. After some remarks, he took for a text Prov. 22:22-29. Tim. 2:5. The sermon was thrilling, instructive and spiritual. Prayer was offered by Rev B J Ivey. Offering $42.06. The following paid:

Rev P C Covington	$2.00	Rev I P Pearsall	$1.00
Rev H David	2.00	B J Ivey	1.00
Rev W M Harris	2.00	Bro D C Collins	1.00
Rev H I Quick	2.00	Mrs Edna Taylor	1.00
Rev L W Wertz	2.00	Mrs L W Wertz	1.00
Rev H C Crawford	1.00	Rev W S Sanders	2.00
Rev J W Diggs	1.00	Bro J D Winston	1.00
Rev W M Mackey	1.00	Rev J T Williams	1.00
Rev J D Core	2.00		

With a goodly number of friends giving equal amounts in this special offering for the Pee Dee Institute, whose names do not appear for the lack of their full name being given to the writer. Benediction by Rev J H E H Nelson, D. D.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

9:30. The Association assembled, with the Moderator in the chair, and singing No. 164, "O for a thousand tongues to sing," Prayer was offered by Rev W M Covington. "A charge to keep I have" was sung; then the Moderator introduced Rev J W Williams to conduct a Bible Class. This was attended and enjoyed by all present.

A motion prevailed that Revs P C Covington, H I Quick and L W Wertz be elected messengers to attend the Baptist Convention, Rich Square, N. C., Oct. 29.

A motion prevailed that we donate to the convention $75, and the same be conveyed by the messengers, minus the $20.45 previously paid.

Bro W M Bryant made some very timely remarks, urging the deacons to be true and live up right in their lives, and and co-operate with their pastor in the promotion of the Master's kingdom.

The hour having arrived for the Temperance sermon Rev J H Nelson, accompanied with Rev A E Quick, took seats in pulpit. Rev H C Crawford read the first chapter of Luke. Prayer by Rev N E Quick, "All hail the power of Jesus name" was sung. Then Moderator introduced Rev J H E H Nelson to preace the Temperance sermon, Text Prov. 20:5. The speaker preached a strong sermon, which was enjoyed by all.

Mrs Stubbs was introduced and made a strong appeal for West Southern Pine. A collection of $3 00 was

taken and donated to her for the cause she represented.

The committee on Finance reported. The same was adopted. See report.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

3:30. The Women Auxilliaries conducted the devotional service. "A charge to keep I have" was sung. Prayer by Bro W M Bryant.

The hour having arrived for the sermon, Revs Zeb McRae, James Hasty and W M McDowell occupied the stand. Rev Hasty read for a lesson the first chapter of St. Luke. Prayer by Rev Zeb McRae. Moderator introduced Rev James Hasty. He preached a strong sermon from Luke 1-18. Prayer by Rev McDowell. The Association joined in singing "Get right with God." A collection to the amount of $2.68 was taken.

Mrs L W Wertz impressed the sisters with the thought of a co-operated spirit for missions, Home and Foreign. Mrs Reves and others spoke of the work of their Circle. and asked the ministers to help them in their work.

The Western Women's Missionary Union turned over to the Association by Mrs Wertz $15.00, for which the moderator thanked her and the Western Union.

Mrs Anna Rivers, Sec. Mrs L W Wertz, Presiding

The hour having arrived for the closing of the Association. A motion prevailed that a vote of thanks be given the pastor, Rev B J Ivey and the good people of Addor for the entertainment given the Asscciation.

REV. P. C. COVINGTON, D. D., Moderator

REV. L. W. WERTZ, Sec.

President's Annual Address

To the officers and members of the Pee Dee Missionary Baptist Educational Association---Greeting:

Beloved Fellow Laborers in Christ and in the Providence of God. We have assembled in our 61st annual session of the Pee Dee Association today in this beautiful little town, with the hospitable people of the Poplar Spring Baptist church, and with the other loving friends of the other denominations of the town of Addor, N. C.

And too, you should feel highly honored, of having this great man of God as your leader, Rev B J Ivey. D. D., and having one among the best churches of the Pee Association. May I say truly we feel at home. We have met here brethren to do business for the King.

As we turn to the pages of Holy Writ, we are continuously reminded of the oft recurring admonition and urging to better things. Especially is this true of the book of Hebrews. When we think of that matchless cloud of witnesses so graphically and majestically enunciated in the 11th chapter, and hear the conclusion, "Wherefore, seeing we are compassed with such a cloud of witnesses, let us run, looking unto Jesus." A similar injunction is given us in this 10th chap. which pointing out the blessings that we have received through the better priesthood, the better covenant, the better mediator brings home to us the great and tremendous blessings which are ours, that we should draw "near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water, let us consider one another to provoke unto love and good works."

During the year that has passed since the Lord brought us together much has been done. In the vineyard of the Lord there have been faithful workers. Garnering the harvest has been appomplished by loyal servants of Jesus Christ who have committed their life into His care. The program of His church has not ceased; its march has been forward, for the soldiers of the King have borne aloft the bloodstained banner of the cross in often adverse surroundings.

Gigantic obstacles have thrust themselves forward during the past decade, nor does their antagonistic impulses seem to have diminished one iota. On every hand their

nefarious design is seen and under their insiduous attack even the churches wonder as to what shall be the outcome. In the schools of the land, the great objective seems to be the generalization of certain facts and their implanting with in the minds of the students, while those backgrounds of truth and justice, and righteousness seem to be ignored. In our colleges we find entrenched the foes of God's word, appearing in the guise of culture and research. In the world of business a spirit of fatalism has appeared, which, together with that old Epicurean philosophy, "Eat, drink and be merry, for tomorrow we die," has discounted much of the integrity formerly underlying its structure save in the direction of personal gain. Its motto apparently has become "Honesty is the best--policy," and be honest if you must seems to be the general view point.

Our old background of Constitutional rights has gone by the board as we have discovered that men are not created free and equal, the constitution to the contrary notwithstanding, that in every field of endeavor unscrupulous practices often prevail, and the wicked flourish like the green bay tree. The tendency has been to erect a great wall of materialism around all things, and we today apparently have forgotten in the maze of money grabbing that the earth is the Lords and the fullness thereof."

Within the church pressure of circumstances has worked its evil. Organizations, committees, programs and platforms have been created, until the beauty of the church and the glory of the Lord our God has been obscured by these extraneous appendages. Yet in spite of these things, the kingdom of God has gone forward, and the gates of hell have not prevailed.

Amid these changing circumstances and medley of things, it is refreshing to turn to these days during which the New Testament was witten. Chaos, persecution, and all manner of difficulties faced these early Christians. Yet the Apostle can enjoin on them the need of continuance; the dangers of neglect and the folly of apostacy. "Let us draw near." Near where and who? Ah, yes, having a high Priest, having boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way which He hath consecrated for us, through His flesh, "Let us draw near."

This is the first thought I would leave with you and myself in the outlook for the coming year. "Let us draw near to Christ." Here is found the deep seated need of humanity. Oh, men and women of the world, one thing you lack. That one thing is Christ. The world needs to draw to Him; and to draw humanity to Christ it is first of all assential that we shall deepen our own allegiance and strengthen our own fidelity to the Captain of our salvation.

The Apostle in this letter is speaking, it must be remembered to followers of Jesus Christ. Those Hebrew Christians needed to be strengthened in the faith. If therefore our faith is weak and our courage dimmed, we can surely find here in this great message of the man of God, that which will meet our needs. Here He brings it before us. Let us draw near to God."

Two elements enter into this process. First a definite commitment to the task He has given us to do, and second the readiness to carry out that task where He shall lead us. This is the depth of consecration.

In one of the cities of New York State some months ago after the conference a group of young men were ordained into the ministry of the M E Church. Bishop Leonard was conducting the ordination. The entire company had sung, "I love to tell the story." and with that background the bishop and the young men knelt. Then was heard the voice of the bishop singing. The words came softly:

"It may not be on on the mountain's height, or over the stormy sea,
It may not be at the battle's front, the Lord will have need of me:
But if by a still small voice He calls to paths that I do not know, I'll answer, Dear Lord with my hand in Thine, I'll go where you want me to go.

And then those young men who had taken upon themselves their ordination vows, joined with the soloist in the chorus,

"I'll go where you want me to go dear Lord, over mountain or plain or sea;
I'll say what you want me to say, dear Lord, I'll be what you want me to be"

What a sacred pledge was made as they sang these words. The very place where God would place them; the very words that God would give them: the very life and conduct that would please Him; this was their pledge. And then the bishop's voice was again heard;

"Perhaps today there are loving words which Jesus would have me speak;
There may be now in the paths of sin some wanderer whom I should seek
O Saviour, if thou wilt be my guide though dark and rugged the way,
My voice shall echo the message sweet, I'll say what you want me to say."

And again the young ministers sang the refrain of consecration. And after that service, over sixty young people committed themselves to the work of Christ and His kingdom. "Let us draw near to God."

And the corrolary follows, "Provoking one another to love and good works."

How unforfortunate it is that often in times of spiritual drought these waters of love and good works so often fail. This refreshing stream of service will not fail when the life is in communion with Him who is the water of life. But the task of the church is embodied in this word. And day by day we need to make our calling and election sure. How? By provoking one another to those high purposes and loyal deeds which bind us closer to the heart of Christ and to each other.

We have passed along the highway of yesterday; now we enter the path of the present and soon we reach what now is the way of tomorrow. For twelve months we have given loyally to God, yet have we given as much as we might have done. In the book of Isaiah it speaks of the man who took a tree, used it to cook his food, to warm his house, to build his furnishings and of the residue he made a God. Have we given to God the residue? Let us give him that deeper life, so that we may enter this new program of loyal service, singing "My all is on the altar," and consecrating every talent we possess, enter in and possess the earth in the name of the ever conquering Lord and Christ. Then shall we hear His voice bidding us welcome into that fellowship of saints where joy abides forever.

Our honored dead. The past year has witnessed the passing of only 1 of our brethren and laborers in the vineyard of the Master, Rev E J Fletcher, servant of God. Well done, rest from thy employ. The battle is fought, the victory won, enter thy Saviour's joy.

We note with a degree of pleasure the splendid spirit of co-operation of each individual member of our Association and of the various auxiliaries that function within our bounds. We pray that this spirit will ever prevail and that an even greater work shall be done in the Mas-

ters name. In this connection I beg to offer the following recommendation, 1st, That the Association continue its support to the State Convention, Home and Foreign Mission work and to Shaw University. 2nd, That we endeavor to standardize our school to the extent that it will measure up to the standard set by the State. 3rd. That all ministers applying for ordination (persons applying for license to preach) shall be required to pass a satisfactory examination in the elementary branches, be able to present an exegesis upon any passage of Scripture submitted to him and a satisfactory examination of the Bible. 4th. That all applicants coming from churches be submitted to the ministerial examining board, for their consideration and recommendation.

5th. That a prescribed ministerial course be instituted and taught for at least six weeks during the year by an approved instructor, and that this Association go on record for an educated and an enlightened ministry.

In view of these and other recommendations that we might make, we crave your kind consideration and indulgence. Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report, whatsoever things are true, think on and do these things.

Yours for the cause of Christ and the work,

P. C. COVINGTON, Moderator.

Report of Treasurer

Mr. Moderator, Brother Ministers and Delegates, it is my privillege to submit my first annual report as your Treas'r I highly appreciate the confidence you have in me, in promoting to this position; and because of your confidence, I am prepared to submit to you an accurate report of all monies passed through my hands, assuring you that the trust you committed to my hands has not been abused, as may be though by some.

I regret to say that it appears that our churches are not reporting as they should, giving a full representation of all members, and this causes a decline in the financial work of the Association? You will note the disbursements exceeded the amount received. The following summaries are given in my detailed account hereto attached:

Amount Received: From Ex. Treasurer ..... Nothing

From Finance Committee $1014.77

Disbursement .. Moderator	$25.00	
Vice-Moderator	15.00	
Recording Recretary	30.00	
Corres. Secretary	12.50	
Treasurer	10.00	
Auditor	5.75	
Finance Committee	20.00	
Adams & Graham in full	99.36	
Moss Hardware Co.	19.77	
Sexton	3.00	
Benevolence	6.00	
Anniversary expense	13.50	
State Convention	40.00	
1st Bap. church, Wadesboro	25.00	
Work on school building	5.00	
Rev H I Quick, on acct.	400.00	
Letter heads	5.75	
Executive & Trustee Board	240.00	
Ex. Board to Red Springs	12.50	
Rev J H Nelson	7.25	
Rev W H Knuckles	3.00	
Rev F P Peterkin	7.00	
Returned checks	15.00	
Total disbursed	$1020.38	

Received $1014.77

Paid out $1020.38

Deficient $5.61

Submitted, J W McLAUGHLIN, Treasurer

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

Auditor—Mr. Moderator, officers and delegates of the Pee Dee Missionary Baptist and Educational Association: I have audited the report of the Treasurer, and I find the report to be correct, and satisfying in every detail. Respectfully submitted, Rev J T Williams, Auditor.

Education—We, your committee on education, submit the following:
1. Whereas, education is the great factor in ruling the world, and since it plays such a great part in the making of men and women, we recommend that the Trustees as early as possible open our school at Hamlet, N. C., and that a special effort be put forth by the churches to raise sufficient money to complete the building.

2. That we encourage our young men and women to avail themselves of the opportunities extended to them at Shaw University and similar institutions of learning.

3. We further recommend that we accept the Bible as the inspired Word of God, as the fundamental principles of our faith and practice.

4. That the pastors and officers of the churches, Sunday Schools and B Y P U instruct their members in the doctrines of the Baptist church.

5. That there be a certain sum of money set aside by the Association for the Bible School at the Pee Dee Institute the coming year. And that the pastors and Christian workers be urged to attend this 6 weeks term.

6. That a special meeting be called of all the officers and boards of the Association, Women Associations, Sunday School Conventions and B Y P U Convention to meet in Hamlet, N. C., Saturday before the 3rd Sunday in Nov. to devise ways and means of raising money for the opening of the school. Submitted, Rev G B Gilchrist, Chair.

Temperance—We, your committee on Temperance, submit the following: Whereas, intemperance is, and has been one of the greatest hinderances to the progress of any people of any nation. Therefore we recommend that this Association go on record condemning the use of intoxicating drinks in any form. Committee—R. B. McRae, Chairman.

Superanuated Ministers—We, the Board of Superanuated Ministers, and Widows, submit the following: We recommend that Five Dollars be donated to Rev C P Flowers, $5.00 to Rev. G. B. Mason, $2 to Mrs. Ellerbee, the widow of the late Rev J E Elerbee, and $2 to Mrs Ella Mc Neil, the widow of late Rev McNeil, and $2 to the widow of the late Rev. E. J. Fletcher.

Rev J D Core, Chairman.

President's Annual Message—We, your committee on President's Address, submit the following: We recommend that the entire address be spread upon the minutes, and a special committee be empowered to outline a prescribed course for young men desiring to enter the ministry.

Committee—Rev H I Quick, Chairman

Ministerial Board—We, your Examining Board, submit the following: We convened to examine several applicants, who failed to pass, these we recommend to advance further in their literary work. We passed Rev J H Morgan and ordained him at Reedy Creek church on the 5th Sunday in July. Rev H I Quick, Chairman

Trustee Board—We, your Trustee Board, submit the following: We have made much progress on the work of the Pee Dee Institute at Hamlet. The building is near in completion, and we hope to be able to open the school in the near future. We have received and paid out the following monies: To Rev H I Quick. on acct., 555.00; Fire insurance 19.65; Total rec'd and paid out $574.65. Rev W S Sanders, Sec. of Board

Obituary—We, your committee on Obituary, submit the following: Whereas, it has pleased the Almighty God in His wise Providence to remove from labor to reward members of the churches of the Pee Dee Association, and from the minister's roll our beloved, Rev E J Fletcher.

Resolved, that we bow in humble submission to Him who doeth all things well. We hope that our loss is heaven's gain.

Resolved 2nd, that a Memorial page be left in the Minutes in memory of them. Committee--Rev I B Pearsall, Ch.

On Place—We, your Committee on Place, submit the following: We recommend that the next session be held with the Spring Branch Missionary Baptist Church, Wagram, N. C., Thursday before the 2nd Lord's Day in October, 1931. Committee—Dr J H E H Nelson, Ch,

Finance—We, your Committee on Finance, submit the following:

Number of churches represented 59,	Am't of money sent	$698.81
	Public collection	97.79
By Mrs L W Wertz from Women's Western Union		15.00
	Total received and turned over to the treasurer	$811.60

Committee--C T Hasty, V H Hines, E L Cole, G G Love, James F Wertz,

Amounts Paid Out at This Session

Moderator	$25 00
Vice-Moderator	15 00
Recording Secretary	30 00
Corresponding Secretary	12 50
Treasurer	10 00
Auditor	7 50
Finance Committee	20 00
Poplar Springs Church	25 00
Sexton	3 00
Programs and mailing	8 75
Ministers and Widow's Relief	16 00
Rev W H Knuckles	5 00
Rev P B Bynum, by donation	5 21
Prof C F Carver, S. Work	20 45
Mrs Stubbs, for W. Sou. Pine	3 00
Rev B J Ivey	5 00
Rev H I Quick, on acct.	300 00
Executive and Trustee Boards	127 00
Total	$638.41

MEMORIAL

In memory of the faithful members of the churches of the Pee Dee Association and the late

REV. E. J. FLETCHER,
who departed 1929-30

So they fell asleep: they played long enough at the games of life, and at last they felt the approach of death. They give up, and laid their heads on the bosom of Christ, and quietly fell asleep.

COSTITUTION

Article 1. This body shall be known as the Pee Dee Missionary Baptist and Educational Association of N. Carolina.

Art. 2. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's kingdom among men and the means of accomplishing it shall be in strict conformity with the New Testament,

Art. 3. This Association shall be composed of messengers chosen from churches connected with it; each being entitled to 3 messengers. Ministers and pastors of the churches connected with this Association shall be considered members ex officio of this Association.

Art. 4. Messengers from each church shall bear a letter certifying their appointment and giving an account of all funds collected during the year, and the amount disbursed for pastor, expenses, improvements, State and Foreign missions, educations, Association & benevolent purposes.

Art. 5. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Recording Sec., Corresponding Sec., Treasurer, Auditor, Executive Board, Trustee Board, Ministerial Examining Board, Superanuated Ministers Board; each to consist of not less than 5 judicial brethren, chosen annually. A majority of votes present shall constitate an election, and continue until their successors are elected. The Moderator shall preside during the deliberations of the Association, enforce and observe the Constitution and decorum; appoint committees; namely: on finance, on devotion, on education, on temperance, on resolutions, on the Constitution, on new bodies, on grievance, on place, on the condition of the country, and on obituary; decide all questions of order, give his opinion on subjects under discussion, after others have, or when called upon, and he may give the casting vote in case of a tie.

Art. 6. It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to record the proceedings of each annual session, superintend the printing of the minutes and distribution to the churches; and it shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary to assist the Recording Secretary, and serve as Secretary of the Trustee and Executive Boards and keep up the correspondence between the churches and the Association.

Art. 7. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all funds sent in by the churches or collected during the